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EARLY FORD V8 CLUB R.G. # 109

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Jim Banks - 109 club Treasurer 2024

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Contributions are always welcome and sincerely appreciated.

Please send submissions to the Rumbles editor via email at cdchown@outlook.com or phone 250 595 0312 if you prefer.

Thank you in advance.

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109 Club Executive

2024



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Regular Meeting Minutes – November 12th , 2024

Recorded by Heidi Bada, VP – Secretary. Approved by Mike Mortimer, President

Next regular meeting at Berwick House 7:00 PM January 14, 2025

The November 12, 2024, meeting of the Early Ford V8 Club 109 was called to order by President Mike Mortimer at 7:03 p.m. at Berwick House, 4062 Shelbourne St., Victoria, B.C. Minutes recorded by Heidi Bada.

Guests: Gordon Mathies, Heather McMahon.

1. Agenda distributed for November 12, 2024, meeting.

a. Consent agenda approved.

2. Minutes of October 2024 meeting:

a. Distributed in Rumbles Newsletter. Consent agenda approved

3. **Presentation/guest speaker** – Gordon Mathies, President of Specialty Vehicle Association of B.C.

Key points follow.

a. SVABC meets with ICBC several times per year to improve coverage for classic cars, specifically regarding black and white plates (not vintage plates).

b. Spoke about ethanol blended fuel and damage it causes to carburetors. Ethanol-free fuel requires expensive permit which discourages suppliers. Discussion about alternatives for classic car owners. Gordon mentioned VP Racing sells ethanol-free fuel at \$9/L.

c. Additives mentioned anecdotally that may help reduce problems of ethanol content: E85 Lucas ethanol stabilizer; K100 can be effective at burning moisture off and can be obtained from a Winnipeg supplier.

d. Legislation is calling for increasing ethanol proportions. E15 fuel will not work in ODB1 or earlier carb systems. SVABC is preparing to pressure the government to allow exceptions.

e. SVABC is membership run, \$5/member per year. Also has a club priced \$50 plus \$2/member.

4. **Old Business**

a. Chris Chown spoke about final distribution of Fords 'n Friends donations to several organizations including Mustard Seed Church, Goldstream food bank, Island Prostate Centre, Women's Transition House, and the Salvation Army.

5. **Correspondence** – none.

6. **Treasurer's Report:**

- a. Monthly report for the period ending Oct. 31, 2024, presented by Treasurer Jim Banks.
- b. Note that club dues are due in January 2025 or before.

7. **Committee Reports:**

- a. Events – Mike asked for a volunteer to organize the club's Christmas luncheon. Without an organizer, the event will not be held.

8. **New Business:**

- a. President role – Mike will step down at the end of the year. The role is straightforward (easier than it may sound), and the club is seeking nominees.
 - b. Rumbles newsletter role(s) - The newsletter needs volunteers such as co-editors; Chris Chown will help new volunteers, and starting in December will step down as editor.
 - c. Club dues – Alan Barr is new Membership Chair. He is organizing related tasks now.
 - d. More discussion about Christmas Luncheon – bowling was suggested by Shawn Driver, for this or any club get-together. Langford lanes has a restaurant and pub nearby, and it worked well for another group.
- **MOTION:** Shawn also moved to obtain club membership with SVABC and increase EFV8 dues by \$2 to cover the per-member cost. Seconded by Tony Cond. Passed.
- e. VCC Swap Meet – Chris Chown gave an update. It's under new management and this club has been asked to help. They need a lot of help. Chris MacKay is a member of VCC and on the team organizing it.
 - f. Executive positions for 2025 – nominations are welcome anytime.

9. **Announcements**

- a. A get-well card for Vic Nordstrom is available for those in attendance to sign after the meeting. Tony Cond arranged to take it to Vic. Chris reported that Vic is feeling better after pacemaker implant and has returned to telling jokes, groaners and outrageous puns.

10. **Buy and sell:**

- a. '39 Ford and Mercury hinges for sale by Nori
- b. Ken Shows dropped off a fan blade and other giveaway items for donation to club
- c. 411 rear end gears only, from a '57, offered free by Gary Nordstrom
- d. Full set of chrome for '51 Ford 2-door by Jim Banks

11. **The Odd Spot** – stories and memories by club members

- a. Tony reported some club members have tried Belzona (epoxy product presented at a past club meeting) and their repairs are still going strong.
- b. Dave Wallace reported Deuce Days has less than 70 spaces left.
- c. Don Landel told story about perimeter drain repairs at home. His '42 truck was babysat by Chris Chown for two months and came home with a new ignition switch, all good.
- d. Shawn Driver reminded that in past years, the club donated \$100 to the Legion this time of year. This year he suggested Langford Legion.

MOTION: Chris moved to support a donation to Langford Legion. Passed. Jim Banks will deliver a cheque. \$109.00

- e. Gary Nordstrom sought dual exhaust on his vehicle and saw one cast and wondered if it would've been from a police car.
- f. Steve Peabody told a story with lots of laughs, alongside guest Heather.
- g. Mike Mortimer talked about drivetrain upgrades with help of John Shepherd. Enjoyed great drive in Cadboro Bay area; very smooth.
- h. Chris Chown told story about his first car, '48 Dodge Coupe, obtained when he was 15 years old. He traded motorcycle for it. Father didn't know but found out (it was parked down the street) and the car soon was removed from Chris's possession.

12. Meeting Adjourned 8:33 p.m. Refreshments and 50/50 draw.

- a. Several members won goodie bags containing chips, Esso gas cards, and car books.
- b. \$74 + \$50 cash 50/50 winner: Don Landels.

2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EARLY FORD V8 CLUB RG 109

As of SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2024. Subject to change.



DATE	EVENT	LEADER	CONTACT
JAN 14	CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON	ROB VANZELLA	
FEB 13	REGULAR CLUB MEETING ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS. FOLLOWED BY AGM	MIKE NORTIMER Chris Chown	
MARCH 12	REGULAR CLUB MEETING Guest speaker ICBC insurance	Mike Mortimer Don Landels	New location
MARCH 17	ST ANNS GUIDED TOUR 11:00 /1:00	Chris Chown	
APRIL 9	REGULAR CLUB MEETING Guest speaker — Island Prostrate Ctr	Mike Mortimer Bill Pritchard	
APRIL 26	HIGHSCHOOL AUTO SHOP TOUR On hold. To be rescheduled ASAP.	BRUCE SOMMERS	To be confirmed.
MAY 14	REGULAR CLUB MEETING	Mike Mortimer	
MAY 18	POKER RUN — 109 club cars.	GARY CLARKE	
MAY 25	ROAD TRIP — SALTSRING ISLE	TBA	
JUNE 11	REGULAR CLUB MEETING	Mike Mortimer	
JUNE 15	ROUNDHOUSE TOUR — E&N	Chris Chown	
JUNE 23	109, VCC, TM SWAP MEET	MARC BROWN	Chris Mike
JUNE 29	BERWICK HOUSE Shelbourne.	Gary Clarke	Gary r Mike
JULY 9	REGULAR CLUB MEETING <i>Final prep for FNF 24</i>	Mike Mortimer Ralf St. Clair	
July 14	FORDS & FRIENDS HERITAGE ACRES	RALF ST. CLAIR	RALF OR DAWSON
AUGUST 17	SHOP TOUR Steve Thompson	CHRIS CHOWN	Postponed
AUGUST 24	ANNUAL CLUB BBQ Live Entertainment TBA.	MIKE & CAROL MORTIMER	
SEPT 7	109 SHOW AT SELKIRK PLAGE	Steve Peabody	Steve /Chris
SEPT 10	REGULAR CLUB MEETING	Mike Mortimer	
SEPT 14	CFB NADEN TOUR	TONY COND	
SEPT 21	SHOP TOUR	Bruce Somers	Postponed
SEPT 21	<i>Garden Railway tour</i>	GARY CLARK	
OCT 8	REGULAR CLUB MEETING	Mike Mortimer	
NOV 12	REGULAR CLUB MEETING	Mike Mortimer	
DEC 14	CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON	<i>Cancelled until further notice.</i>	

THE 2025 ISSUE OF THE CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE RUMBLES NEWSLETTER

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT.

MIKE MORTIMER



Presidents message:

Good day everyone, our November regular meeting had the biggest turnout of 109 members ever! We filled the room this was fantastic to see such a great crowd. Our guest speaker Gordon Mathis from Specialty Vehicle Association of B.C. was very informative about collector plates and preservation of our classic automobiles. Many other topics were well received with great input from the group.

Our ODD SPOT segment had quite a few stories from the past, resulting in some hearty laughs from the crowd. Not onto serious business. As most of you know things on our executive will be changing. I am stepping down as President effective January 1st after serving 5 years as vice president and 2 as president. It has been an honor to serve the membership. I feel it is time to step away and let another member fill the position. We need to have good direction and purpose for our club going forward. I will still remain active within the club. I would like to thank all the members and especially Chris for his guidance and support.

See you at the next meeting in the new year, enjoy the holiday season and happy trails to you!

Mike Mortimer
Live life, Be Happy



Message from the Editor Chris Chown.

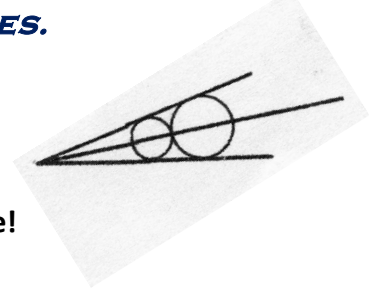
IT HAS BEEN MY DISTINCT PRIVILEGE AND IMMENSE PLEASURE TO SERVE AS EDITOR OF THE RUMBLES NEWSLETTER SINCE 2014. THE TIME HAS COME FOR ME TO STEP ASIDE AND MAKE ROOM FOR A NEW TEAM WITH FRESH ENERGY AND CREATIVITY.

I WISH TO EXPRESS MY MOST SINCERE APPRECIATION TO EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED ME AND ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTED ARTICLES, NEWS AND A FEW VERY GOOD JOKES ALONG THE WAY. GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT I COULD NOT HAVE DONE SO WELL WITHOUT YOU. I AM MORE THAN HAPPY TO OFFER ANY ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE UPON REQUEST.

THANKS AGAIN TO EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED AND ENCOURAGED ME OVER THE PAST TEN YEARS, IT'S BEEN A SLICE. I WISH YOU ALL THE VERY BEST OF LUCK IN ALL YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS, INCLUDING RUMBLES.

Cheers, Chris Chown cdchown@outlook.com

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CLUB NEWS AT LAST!



This photo is of a young **Shawn Driver**. He really has aged well so next time you see him tell him so.



Many thanks & much appreciation to **DAVE WALLACE** for passing on a copy of an early Ford 8N operators manual. Dave went the extra mile to locate and copy the manual which has been sent to my nephew in Calmar, Alberta. Work has started on an old 8N on the family farm, where Michael is getting lots of help from his 12-year-old son Theo. Thanks again Dave, Chris Chown



It is a great pleasure to advise that **VIC NORDSTROM** has had a successful pacemaker operation and is now recovering at home. We know Vic is on a fast-track recovery as he is already composing some of the world's greatest groaners and a brand-new offering of delightful puns.

So good to have you back Vic, we all missed you and your perfect energy.

Yes that is Vic behind those special glass' at the annual 109 club BBQ.



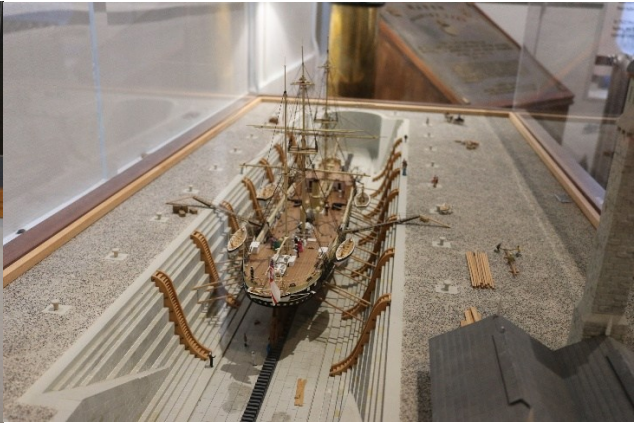
Great news from the shop at Mike Mortimer's house! With assistance from good friend John Shepherd Mike's 33 is now back on the road and running perfectly. Many hours and "several" dollars were required to repair/replace the drivetrain and correct some inherent problems. All good now and looking forward to tours, shows and coffee meets.

A Discovery Tour – CFB Esuqimalt



Our guide Paul Seguna LCdr. Rei'd.







During the very busy month of September the 109 club hosted a Discovery Tour at Canadian Forces Base Esquimalt that was a delightful afternoon and well received by members attending.

The tour focused on the Naval & Military Museum with a very large number of exhibits covering a time frame dating back to the formation of the Royal Canadian Navy up to present day. There was a great deal to experience, and we were fortunate to have an excellent guided tour for the day.

Special thanks to TONY Cond for putting this all together and thank you to all the 109 members who attended and supported the 109 club.

The tour was sponsored by the 109 club through a donation to the Naval & Military Museum. We hope to be able to do it again in 2025 for members who missed it.

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Base Commander HMCS NADEN CFB Esquimalt

Victoria, BC V0S 1B0 16 September 2024

LETTER OF APPRECIATION – PAUL SEGUNA, LCdr (Ret'd)

1. This letter is to express the appreciation for a job well done by Paul Seguna who was the tour director and guide at the Naval Museum at CFB Esquimalt for the Early Ford V8 Club on Saturday, 14 September 2024.

2. Our car club had indicated a strong interest in visiting the Museum so it was arranged that Paul Seguna would provide a tour. Paul did this on his own time on a beautiful day. Several of our old Ford vehicles were allowed to park on the old parade square in front of the Museum and pictures were taken. Paul then provided the group with an excellent room-by-room presentation of Canada's naval history recounting various fascinating stories and "ditties" of naval interest. His accounts were articulately and accurately presented in a smooth coherent manner which held the group's interest for an hour-and-a-half.


3. The Early Ford V8 Club would like to thank Paul Seguna for his dedication to the task at hand and have him recognized by the Base Commander's office for a job very well done. All our members very much appreciated his fine effort.

Regards, with many thanks.

Anthony A. Cond

Commander (Ret'd)

Early Ford V8 Club Regional Group #109



**VISSA
FUNDRAISER**

**FEATURING SAXUM
& MIDLIFE CRISIS**

23RD NOV, 2024 - AT 7:00 PM

*There's still time to get your tickets for the VISSA fundraising dance/Western Speedway Reunion on **November 23rd** at the Metchosin Hall.*

If you missed this just call VISSA. They would be happy to talk to you!



November meeting 50/50 winners

The "lucky winners" of the 50/50 grab bags and cash

Several members won goodie bags containing chips, Esso gas cards, and car books. Congratulations to every winner!

\$ 124.00 "Spiked cash 50/50" winner: Don Landels.

Several members of the EFV8 RG109 are working toward expanding and diversifying our club tour activities throughout the year. We believe this type of initiative will add to the overall value of membership in the 109 and hopefully be beneficial in attracting new members.

If you have any suggestions for new and different “Discovery Tours” please pass them along to the club executive. There are no bad ideas and all suggestions will receive careful consideration. Please be reminded that tours do not have to be “auto” related.

An important update on Modified Collector Plates – Thank you KEITH SMITH.

STOCK COLLECTOR PLATE MV1425 APPLICATION GOING ONLINE.

EFFECTIVE SEPT 4th.

This is a welcome change; the system will guide you through the process.

Phase two will see the modified collector, and replicas come online.

Like always if you need assistance contact Bob at bobsuek@shaw.ca

ICBC notice of change

This is a result of ongoing reviews and feedback we've received.

On September 4, 2024, our Vehicle Registration Services department will be releasing a digital version of the *Stock Collector Motor Vehicle Application (MV1425)* form. The purpose of this change is to improve the user experience for our customers.

As part of this initiative, enhancements also include the following:

- Increasing self-serve options for our customers enabling them to submit their Collector Motor Vehicle Application electronically. The digital form includes tool tips and links to information on icbc.com.
- Removing the requirement to mail in a hard copy of the application form.
- Enhancements to the information available on icbc.com include a new “vanity URL” for the form, making it easier to locate information on ICBC.com (icbc.com/collector).
- Customers will now be able to complete the form online and attach the required documents and/or photos as required.

We understand some of our customers may prefer to still use the existing PDF form. As a result, we have maintained the existing MV 1425 PDF form and on September 3, 2024, will be published.

Thank you,



Michelle Rossetti

Manager Specialty Vehicle Reg Services Insurance

ABBOTSFORD CARS N' COFFEE & EVENTS

Glenn Dalton · November 5 at 10:50 PM



I made a big announcement at the monthly general meeting tonight. For those who were not there please see below for the early info!!

The BCHRA will be hosting a Swap Meet at the Cloverdale Agriplex on May 30 & 31 2025. Friday and Saturday.

Many more details to follow soon but to straighten out a few rumors and some gossip.

There will be a registration for swap meet sellers, price per booth will be announced. There will be a LIMITED number of outdoor spaces available.

We will determine if there is room for a car corral soon as well

Attendee entrance fee will be confirmed soon.

Parking will be free although donations towards a designated charity will be accepted.

A couple Food Trucks will be on site for the duration of the swap meet.

I look forward to providing more info soon. Bubba

Jim Banks. The front cover.

The real story by our Treasurer Jim Banks. 1950 Meteor Custom.

I was driving in the back alleys of Surrey looking for a 1950 Ford like I had in high school, and I found this 1950 Meteor Custom sitting under a tree all covered in leaves. It had 1998 plates and was parked with gas in the tank, all turned to gum, that was 2008. She was a real mess, towed it home.

Had to rebuild the fuel system tank to carburetor. All the brakes where seized and totally shot, had to get a new master cylinder.

There were no door panels or arm rests. I got a 1950 Ford upholstery kit. I installed a dual exhaust system, and the exhaust is music to flat headers ears.

I did all the mechanical works myself. Rumbleseat Restoration repaired some rust and did the paint, to Meteor code. The engine is a stock 239 cu. in.V8

I installed a 12-volt charging system. I dropped the car 2 inches all around. The engine starts and runs like a clock. I got my collectors plates in 2014. The Meteor is a Canadian build car and very few left.

THE JOY IS IN THE JOURNEY



Jim is a great example of what a good 109 member represents and has demonstrated this for decades. Jim is one of those special people who always finds a way to be involved and support the 109 club in spite of difficult personal challenges. He shows up in his favorite Meteor at club events, meetings and discovery tours. Always ready to contribute rain or shine. A smile and lots of good adventure stories ice the cake frequently. He truly enjoys exercising the 50 at every opportunity always attracting admirers and takes time to visit strangers.

It is truly a privilege to know Jim and have him involved in the 109 club. The Meteor is not too bad either!

he Ladies page.

Good, bad and the others.

The Good Catherine Hankins, MD PhD



Impact on lives today

Keenly interested in scientific capacity development and advancing women in global health and science, Catherine Hankins has been integral to the development of guidelines and best practices for community engagement in the co-design and co-management of research conduct and has contributed to shaping new norms in global health research to advance women in science. For over thirty years she has facilitated research capacity strengthening in low- and middle-income countries. A tireless advocate for health equity, she has made a **major difference in Canada** through lifelong contributions in research, particularly among women, correctional inmates, people who inject drugs, and others, to inform effective public health policy and programmes. A relentless communicator, she has taught knowledge translation at graduate level to the next generation of public health practitioners and has conducted hundreds of media interviews to convey emerging scientific knowledge clearly to the general public.

The Bad Linda Wolfe



Most married woman in the world

This Guinness world record goes to Linda Wolfe who said “I do” a whopping 23 times. Her first marriage at just 16 was for love while her last in 1996 was for publicity as she married Glynn “Scotty” Wolfe, the world’s most married man. In between, Linda married a whole host of men such as a convict, a homeless man, a musician, and a plumber. One marriage lasted only 36 hours, and she married one lucky fellow on three separate occasions! While she divorced most of her 23 partners her final marriage ended in 1997 when her husband died of natural causes leaving Linda to live out the rest of her days as a single woman.

The Others *Nadia Comăneci*



Nadia Comăneci will always be synonymous with “perfection” by achieving a perfect 10 at the 1976 Olympics in Montreal – which was then thought to have been impossible – at the age of 14. Comăneci’s perfect score was so unexpected that it wasn’t even possible to display a “10” on the scoreboard.

The Romanian gymnast demonstrated a rare blend of grace, raw talent, and focus for her age on her way to winning a total of nine Olympic medals in her relatively short but storied career.

Comăneci’s career was only cut short due to political reasons as the Ceaușescu-led Romanian government kept a tight rein on allowing her to compete overseas (either due to tit-for-tat political maneuvering or the fear of her defecting), forcing Comăneci to withdraw from the competition in 1984.

Comăneci has embarked on a distinguished career in leadership roles in the world of gymnastics. Who knows how many more medals Comăneci could have won had she not been prevented by her own country from doing so?

Tech Talk

The other side of ETHENOL and what to do about it.

What are the Effects of Ethanol in Gasoline and How to Protect your Engines Against it?

Most of the gasoline sold today in the United States & Canada contains [ethanolOpens a new window](#), and the percentage is expected to increase over the next few years.

Gasoline and ethanol are delivered to the gas stations separately and are blended together at gas stations during delivery. So what are the effects of ethanol in gasoline, and what can you do to prolong the life of your engines running on ethanol-blended fuel?

The Potential Problems



Opens a new window Ethanol is added to gasoline as mandated by the EPA to **lower carbon emissions** to make running of such engines more eco-friendly. Ethanol-blended fuels left untreated can start “phasing.” **Phase separation** is when ethanol in the fuel absorbs too much water, and **separates from gasoline by dropping to the bottom of the tank** since the ethanol and water mixture that results from phase separation is heavier than gasoline.

Water-ethanol solutions can damage fuel systems and engines, and the system will need to get flushed to prevent further damage. Once phase separation has occurred, no additive can reverse it, and the fuel tank will require draining. If the fuel and ethanol have completely phase-separated, the fuel in the tank will be unusable and must be drained. Mechanics offer ‘pump-out’ services to drain and flush the fuel system.

Be careful on what you hear, as there is no magic ingredient to reverse phase separation after it has already dropped to the bottom. The easiest defence against phase separation is to keep the tank almost full at all times, allowing a little space for the fuel to expand in warmer weather. Moisture comes from the empty space in the tank so reducing the amount of air in your tank will reduce the amount of water that can enter with the air. This is especially important when you are dealing with equipment designed with an “Open” fuel system such as many small non-road engines and watercraft.

Ethanol may contribute to corrosion of fuel tanks and other fuel system components at a rapid rate. It is very important to pour in a fuel additive that guards against corrosion every time you fill the tank; this is especially true with small engines since many still use aluminium parts which corrode more quickly resulting in oxides that look like white rust.



A third issue is that ethanol can loosen debris that normally collects in the corners of the fuel tank and can lead to clogged fuel systems. Again, adding a fuel treatment that contains cleaners will allow for these dirt particles to pass through your system.

The final important fact to remember is that gasoline “oxidizes” when exposed to air. That is, it loses its volatility over time and may turn to varnish. Using a fuel additive that will

address all of these issues will help you enjoy your gasoline-powered small engines and/or boat worry-free for years to come.

The good news is that E-10 has been used in many parts of the country for over 25 years so there are proven ways to protect your engines from the potential hazards we have reviewed.

The following is a short list of things you can do to protect your equipment:

- – ***Run a non-alcohol fuel stabilizer and treatment in your fuel system at all times. Especially, recommended for engines that sit for a lengthy period.***
- – *The more the vehicle/equipment is used the less likely it is to have problems.*
- – *If you don't plan on using it for a while, **keep your tank 95% FULL to prevent any condensation** but still allow room for expansion. It's important to avoid water intrusion into your fuel system.*
- – *Make sure to only buy fuel from a reputable gas station with good turnover of product to ensure you are getting fresh gasoline.*
- – *Rubber fuel lines older than the mid-to-late 1980's should be inspected and may need to be replaced since they may not be compatible with ethanol fuel.*



What is Lucas safeguard ethanol fuel conditioner?

- ***Lucas Safeguard® Ethanol Fuel Conditioner with Stabilizers contains effective additives to prevent rust and corrosion associated with the use of ethanol fuels. Safeguard® treats up to 80 gallons (302.8) of ethanol fuel. One ounce treats five gallons of ethanol fuel. Our new 5.25 oz bottle treats up to 25 gallons (94.6 liters) of ethanol fuel.***

Does Lucas safeguard work on ethanol fuel?

- ***This applies to E-10, E-15, E-85, pure ethanol and any mixtures in between including gasoline. Our Product is completely soluble in all ethanol fuels and will not harm filters. Lucas Safeguard™ Ethanol Fuel Conditioner with***

Stabilizers contains effective additives to prevent rust and corrosion associated with the use of ethanol fuels.

Key Benefits:

Cleans injectors, valve seats, combustion chambers and other critical fuel components

Stabilizes fuel and prevents varnish & gum formation in ethanol and gasoline

Combats deposits and protects your engine oil lubricants from the harmful effects of alcohol combustion

Very good report on Ethanol from the NAACC. Click to open.

<https://www.naacc.ca/category/reports/>

Winter is almost here. Get your favorite ride ready just in case.

No season is tougher on vehicles than winter, and if you've decided to keep your classic car in the garage during the colder, wetter, snowier (and in many places, saltier) months, you're not alone.

The decision to winterize a vehicle involves a lot of different factors: if you live in a place with a long winter season or if you've invested in a very high-value vehicle, you may never take it out of the garage between November and April. If your winters are less extreme, or you want the opportunity to turn a few heads on those random days of sunshine, warmth and thawing snow, you might choose to keep your car a little more road-ready.

Either way, there are a few things you'll want to keep in mind for any level of winter car storage. A car that's not being driven for a few weeks or months needs a special kind of care to make sure that whenever you're ready to drive, it's ready to go.

Pro Tip: If you're in a few select cities, [our Garage + Social program](#) offers climate-controlled, dust-free garages that are not only safe and secure, but they also offer maintenance services as well as a social outlet - think of it like a clubhouse for your car, and for its driver.

Winter Car Storage: Getting Ready Is the Hardest Part

One of the most important parts of winterizing your vehicle is not how, but where. A temperature-controlled garage with a dry concrete floor is ideal, but if you have to keep your car on dirt, gravel or (gulp) outside, roll it onto a tarp or a plastic barrier to keep moisture from hanging out with the undercarriage. Once you're all set take these 5 steps:

- 1. Wash and wax to clear off any dirt, grit, grime and other contaminants, especially if you're putting a cover over it (which is advisable). You should also use a preservative agent for things like rubber, leather or vinyl to prevent drying and cracking, and an interior vacuum is always a good idea as well.*
- 2. Make sure that your gas tank is full (with premium, preferably), and you've added a fuel stabilizer to keep prevent evaporation. Don't forget: the whole system needs protection, not just the gas tank, so be sure to run your engine for a few minutes to get that stabilized fuel into the system.*
- 3. Change the oil and filter, using a corrosion-resistant and rust-preventive oil, double check your antifreeze levels, and put some boxes of baking soda in the trunk and the interior to pull any lingering dampness or moisture from the air, and cover your exhaust pipe and air inlet to prevent any critters from crawling in.*
- 4. Radial tires don't need to worry so much about flat spots from extended stays in one place, but we always like to firm up our tires with a little extra PSI knowing that cold temperatures will naturally cause a little drop in air pressure. Putting your car up on jack stands probably isn't necessary unless you're planning to keep it off the road for a half a year or longer.*
- 5. Close all the windows, ensure that no lights are still illuminated anywhere and give the car one last quick inspection to make sure no one left anything inside that might freeze, spill or cause any damage when left unobserved.*

Good news: Hard part's over. Now you just need to keep a few things safe and maintained, and think fondly of the day you can fire your classic car back up.

Winter Car Storage: Keeping it Safe

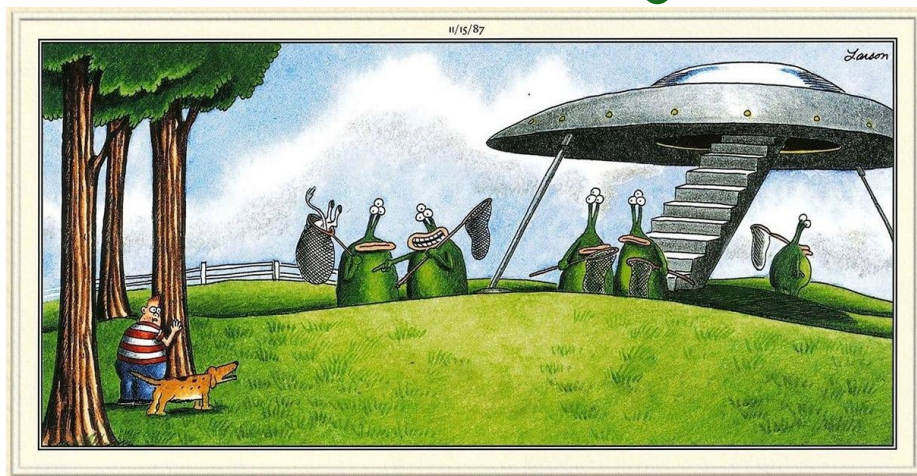
Now that you're ready to give your car a long nap, give yourself a hearty pat on the back while calling your insurance agent (Hagerty has you covered here). If your car is stored offsite, you may need to update your coverage - and you might as well check in and say hi to your policy once a year or so as well.

If you're storing your car onsite, you can disconnect and remove the battery to a place where it won't freeze, but battery tenders are relatively inexpensive and worth the investment. They'll keep your battery charged (while also making sure it's not overcharged) leaving you ready to start it up whenever you're ready.

As for occasionally starting the car a few times during the winter? We say don't bother - you might be doing more harm than good if you're not getting it up to temperature and letting it run for an extended period of time, and if you are doing that in a garage you're running the risk of letting exhaust build up in places it shouldn't be.

If you're winterizing your classic car, even though it's tempting to fire it up and hear the engine rev in the depths of winter, you have to be ready to put it away for the long run.

The FUN Page.



Suddenly, Jake started barking and, as a result, both he and Billy ended up sharing a small but interesting diorama in the Venutian Natural History Museum.

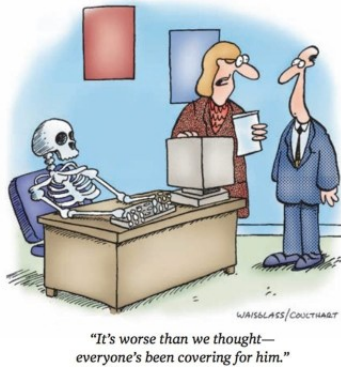
The best pickup lines – Just in case you need one.

WARNING! Most of these do not work because they are too corny. Check with **Steve Peabody for verification! He knows firsthand....**

- I don't know how to flirt, but I sure know how to make things awkward if you're into that.
- My friends bet that I wouldn't talk to the prettiest girl in the place. Can I buy you a drink with their money?
- If you won the lottery for the amount of your phone number, exactly how much would you have won?
- I hope you know CPR because you just took my breath away.
- Are you a parking ticket? Because you've got *fine* written all over you.
- How much does a polar bear weigh? Enough to break the ice ... which is what I'm trying to do right now.
- Titanic. That's my icebreaker. How are you?
- Those look like nice arms. Could I see how they would feel around me?
- My hand feels heavy. Will you hold it?
- You look familiar. Were we ever in the same class? I swear we had chemistry together.
- I heard you were banned from the grocery store because you're so hot that everything in the freezer aisle melted.
- You don't need to carry a taser because you're already a stunner.
- It's really nice to meet you. Could you give me a second? I just need to delete all my dating apps.
- I don't like to chase women, but I'd put my Crocs in sport mode for you.

- I would ask if you wanted to see a movie with me, but I don't want to get in trouble for bringing in a snack.
- I have a phone; you have a phone number—we're a perfect match.
- Does the FBI know about you? If looks could kill, you'd definitely be a weapon of mass destruction.
- I bet you're great at hide-and-seek—people as gorgeous as you can be really hard to find.

Let us know how it works out. Good luck to you all!



A man went to the movies.....

A man went to the movies and was surprised to find a woman...

A man went to the movies and was surprised to find a woman with a big collie sitting in front of him. Even more amazing was the fact that the dog always laughed in the right places through the comedy.

"Excuse me," the man said to the woman, "but I think it's astounding that your dog enjoys the movie so much."

"I am surprised myself, " she replied. "He hated the book."

A RIDDLE or two. Answers on the last page if needed.

Number 1: You have me today, Tomorrow you'll have more; As your time passes, I'm not easy to store; I don't take up space, But I'm only in one place; I am what you saw, But not what you see. What am I?

Number 2: There was a man who wanted to prove his love to his wife. So, he climbed the highest mountain, swam the deepest ocean and walked the biggest desert. What do you think his wife said?



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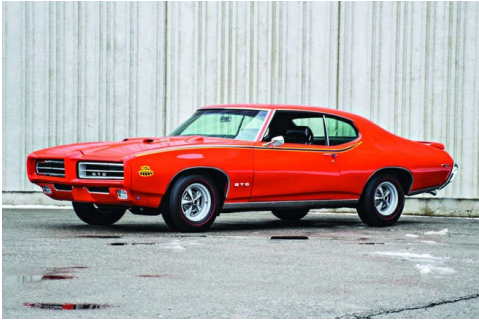
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Odd History Spot.



Pontiac GTO

The GTO wasn't the fastest muscle car – or even the first, if we're being picky – but it was the car that best summed up the big-cubes, small-car spirit of the class and the one that really captured the public's attention.

Launched in '64 as a 389cu in (6.5-liter) option on the mid-size Tempest, the GTO soon became a standalone model. It bowed out in '74, a pale shadow of its former self and enthusiasts always dreamed of a comeback...

109 Members on the road.



*Parsons Pass on the road to Castlegar.
Compliments of Lynn & Lauri Stevens.*

*Keep on truckin between the white lines and you
will be okay*

We would love to share your photos in the newsletter, so send in your favorites please.

The Riddle answers at last!:

Answer: Memories

Answer: Nothing. She divorced him for never being at home.

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Thank you all for your support and participation!

So long until next time!

